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PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION left by Henry Reed at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents, with his Petition, on the 24th April 1869.

I, HENRY REED, of Edgbaston, in the County of Warwick, Engineer,
5 do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for “**A NEW OR IMPROVED PNEUMATIC APPARATUS FOR EXPANDING OR DISTENDING FRENCH LETTERS,**” to be as follows :—

The object of this Invention is, by means of the apparatus herein-after described, to expand or distend French letters previous to their appli-
10 cation upon that part of the person to which they are intended to be applied.

My apparatus consists substantially of a tube of suitable size (which may be of metal, bone, ivory, paper, or any other substance) open at one end, the other end being closed by a cock or valve. When it is
15 desired to expand the letter nothing more is needful than to place the closed end of the letter downwards in the tube, and stretch the open end of the letter over the open or uncovered end of the tube by exhausting

Reed's Improved Pneumatic Apparatus for Distending French Letters.

the air or creating a sufficient vacuum therein, which may be easily done by the person who uses the apparatus sucking or drawing the air through the cock. The cock or valve is then closed, and the letter is then ready for application whenever desired.

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